

TABLE SHOWS DECLINE FROM PEAK MONTHS

Most Abrupt Drop in Wholesale Prices Since Six Months Following Civil War.

CREDIT STILL AVAILABLE

Review of Market Situation Is Made by Federal Reserve Bank in St. Louis.

Not since the six months following the Civil War has there been such an abrupt decline in the wholesale prices of nearly all commodities, as recently, according to the December review issued by the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank. Food products apparently reached their peak last May, while textiles and leather were higher during the first two months of the year than they have been since. Metals seem to have felt the force of the price decline most strongly in July.

Men's clothing has been reduced from 33 to 50 per cent, but some of these reductions have not been made by retailers yet. A new price level for wool has brought about a reduction for lines of spring clothing of between 25 and 33 per cent below prices for fall and winter goods. Women's clothes alone remain practically unaffected, as there is no surplus in the stocks of women's suits and dresses. Little spring buying has been done by retailers.

Large stocks of cotton and manufactured goods have accumulated in New England and Southern mills, and many of these mills are operating on a part-time schedule. In some instances workers have accepted a wage reduction so that the factories might continue uninterrupted.

Credit has been available at all times throughout the year, says the review, despite the change of funds from one part of the country to another. None of the federal reserve banks has refused to extend credit although credit has been curtailed. There has also been a decrease in the loans and note issues of the federal reserve system.

A table is given which shows the percentage decline in wholesale prices since the peak months of 1920.

Commodity	Per cent decline from peak month.	Peak month.
Foodstuffs:		
Sugar	54.5	June
Wheat	36.4	May
Corn	32.7	May
Oats	57.4	May
Potatoes	71.7	April
Flour	33.9	May
Hogs, live	24.5	September
Textiles and leather:		
Cotton, raw	55.6	July
Cotton goods	45.3	July
Wool, raw	46.0	January
Woolen goods	25.0	July
Silks	63.5	January
Hides	43.9	January
Leather	28.5	February
Metals and coal:		
Pig iron	12.9	September
Copper	26.2	January
Lead	28.6	March
Tin	41.9	January
Steel	14.3	July
Coke	55.6	July
Bituminous coal	61.5	July
Other goods:		
Rubber	53.5	January
Lumber	10.5	February

AT THE CHURCHES

First Church of Christ, Scientist. "Christian Science" is the subject of the service Sunday at 11 o'clock. Sunday school is held at 9:45 o'clock. Wednesday evening meeting begins at 8 o'clock. The Christian Science reading room in the basement of the Virginia Building is open from 3 to 5 p. m. daily. The public is welcome.

Christian. Bible School at 9:30 o'clock. Help have your class perfect on this last Sunday of the year. Morning worship at 10:45 o'clock. The sermon will be on "Christ, King of the World." Glen Spurling will give a cello solo.

Presbyterian. Evening worship at 7:30 o'clock. Sermon, "The Everlasting Mercy," by John Macfie. Mrs. David Ballenger will sing, "God That Made Earth and Heaven." Christian Endeavor service at 6:30 o'clock. Berry Hulen will lead. Midweek prayer service at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday night. The pastor will lead, his subject being "The Acceptable Year of Our Lord."

The Sunday school will meet at 9:30 o'clock. The pastor the Rev. S. R. Bra-

News of Columbia Society

(Miss Ella Wyatt, society editor, will appreciate it if you will telephone society items between 11 and 12 o'clock. Telephone 274.)

Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Mitchell, Jr., ten miles west of Rocheport, entertained Sunday, December 19, with a family dinner. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Mitchell and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Gray, Mrs. W. F. Sylvester of Los Angeles, Cal., Mrs. E. J. McClure, N. T. Mitchell, Dr. and Mrs. P. J. Mitchell and Miss Pearl Mitchell.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Mitchell, West Broadway, will entertain Saturday with a family dinner. Those present will be N. T. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Mitchell, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Gray, Mrs. W. F. Sylvester of Los Angeles, Cal., Mrs. E. J. McClure, Miss Pearl Mitchell, Frank Mitchell of Kansas City, Porter Mitchell of Centralia and Misses Helen and Frances Mitchell.

Mrs. Guy L. Noyes, 311 Hitt street, will entertain Monday afternoon, December 27, from 3 to 5 o'clock with a party for her son, Jack. Assisting will be Laura Gail Bowling, Virginia McAlister, Anne McBaine, Katherine Miller, Harold Kline and Turner McBaine.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Miller will entertain at Sunday dinner for Mr. and Mrs. C. A. McClure, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Conley and Mrs. William Boales.

Mrs. William Boales of St. Louis will arrive today to spend the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Dudley S. Conley, 601 Sanford place.

Miss Roy Stewart arrived yesterday from Mexico to spend the holidays with her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Stewart, West Broadway.

Miss Katherine Henry arrived yesterday from Cape Girardeau to spend the holidays with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Henry, 719 Hitt street.

Miss Frances Hunt returned yesterday from Smith College to visit her family, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Hunt, 804 Conley avenue, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Niedermeyer, 1101 University avenue, will entertain with a dance Monday evening for Mr. and Mrs. Horace McKim and Lieut. Frederick Niedermeyer.

Judge and Mrs. Irvin Barth and daughter, Jane, of St. Louis, will arrive Sunday to spend the holidays with Mrs. Victor Barth, 1221 East Broadway.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Renne of St. Louis will arrive Sunday to spend the holidays with Mrs. Renne's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Weed, 1012 Walnut street.

Miss Eleanor Taylor arrived yesterday from Battle Creek, Mich., to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John N. Taylor, West Broadway.

Miss Alma Cotton arrived Tuesday from Vassar College to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Cotton, 1501 University avenue.

Dr. A. Ross Hill, president of the University, and Mrs. Hill are spending the Christmas holidays at Pinchurst, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl C. Estes, who have

den, will preach a Christmas sermon at the regular morning preaching service at 10:45 o'clock.

A white Christmas service will be held at 5 o'clock Sunday night. Money for the starving people of Europe and food for the needy in Columbia will be donated by the congregation. Part of the service will consist in receiving new members into the church.

Calvary Episcopal. Special Christmas services consisting of a short form of morning prayer, sermon and holy communion will be held tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

Sunday Services: Holy Communion at 7:30; Sunday school at 9:45 and morning service and sermon at 11 o'clock.

Wilkes Boulevard Methodist. Sunday school at 9:30 o'clock will be followed by regular preaching services at 11 o'clock by the pastor, the Rev. J. A. Medley. The Epworth League will meet at 6:30 Sunday night and evening preaching services will be at 7:30 o'clock.

First Baptist.

Christmas program will be given at the regular Sunday school service at 9:30 o'clock. "America's Supreme Need" will be the subject of the sermon at the preaching service at 10:45 o'clock. Young People's Union will meet at 6:30 o'clock Sunday night, followed by evening preaching service at 7:30 o'clock. Pastor, the Rev. T. W. Young.

Broadway Methodist.

Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Morning service at 10:45. Preaching by the pastor—Christmas sermon on "The Grail and the Cross." Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. Evening service at 7:45. Subject of sermon: "The Secret of a Joyous Christmas."

been in New York City and Washington, D. C., since Thanksgiving returned to their home in Joplin Wednesday. They stopped in Columbia to visit Mr. Estes, parents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Estes, Dumas Apartments. Their daughter, Katherine Isabelle, who has been visiting her grandparents, returned home with them.

WILL BLOCK ATTEMPT TO UNITE UNIONS

Pan-American Federation to Condemn One Big Union Idea and Bolshevism.

GOMPERS TO PRESIDE

Every Country in Americas to Be Represented at Meeting—Oregon May Speak.

By RALPH F. COHEN
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Nationalization of industry will be discussed at the annual convention of the Pan-American Federation of Labor, which opens in Mexico City January 10, according to Secretary C. A. Vargas.

"I think the federation is likely to take a stand upon this and many other issues," said Vargas. "I expect the convention will pass a resolution strongly condemning Bolshevism and the one big union propaganda."

Vargas and other officials of the federation now are preparing their annual report to the convention. The officials are Samuel Gompers, president, and James Lord, treasurer. Gompers is known throughout the world as president of the American Federation of Labor, while Lord has achieved fame in the United States because of his work in the mining departments of the American Federation of Labor.

American delegates to the convention besides Gompers Vargas and Lord will be Matthew Wolf, vice-president of the A. F. of L.; Vice-President Rickart, of the executive council of the A. F. of L.; John Fry, editor of the official journal of the International Moulders' Union, and Frank Tobin, president of the International Teamsters' and Chauffeurs' Union, and a vice-president and member of the executive council of the A. F. of L.

Approximately 4,000,000 workers in the United States and other Pan-American countries will be represented at the convention, according to Secretary Vargas, through five delegates from each country. Countries in which the organized labor movement has already accepted representation at the convention include Mexico, Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Salvador, and Peru.

"We're now waiting to hear from the labor movement of Argentina," said Vargas. "Possibly Panama and Ecuador may send representatives."

The convention is planned to continue a week.

President Obregon, of Mexico, probably will be invited to make an address, Vargas said, although this is being left entirely to the committee on arrangements at Mexico City.

Game boards at Newman's. adv.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

To save penalty all taxes must be in the hands of Collector before close of business December 31st, 1920. My office will be closed January 1st, 3rd and 4th, 1921.
M. G. PROCTOR, COLLECTOR Adv. P-1

GOOD RESULTS FOR RED CROSS

Missouri Shows Unprecedented Expansion in Activities of Public Health.

Unprecedented expansion amounting to 800 per cent for the year just ending, has been made in public health, hygiene and sanitation activities conducted in Missouri under the direction of the Red Cross, according to an announcement received today from Southwestern Division headquarters in St. Louis by Miss Alma Wretling, state supervisor of nursing, and Miss Sallie Bryant and Saidee Hausmann, assistant supervisors.

The announcement shows the extension of health activities throughout the division, comprising Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Texas, to be 460 per cent for the year, indicating that Missouri has nearly doubled the general average of the five states. Invaluable results are expected from the great strides in the development of this health work, one of the chief items in the Red Cross peace time program.

Comprehensive plans for still further rapid extension of the service until eventually it will reach out into every Missouri county where no other organization is doing this work, with a full time public health nurse on duty is the aim of the Southwestern Division nursing department, the announcement sets forth. With the Fourth Roll Call concluded the first step in this enlargement will be the placing, as soon as suitable personnel can be obtained, of 13 additional public health nurses in counties not now served. This still further expanding the service by 50 per cent.

On January 1 of this year the number of Red Cross public health nurses in Missouri stood at 3 while on December 1 the total had climbed to 26. It is hoped to bring every Missouri child under the supervision of a public health nurse to reduce the large proportion of physical defects hindering the best health development. It is expected that not only the standard of personal health in the child life of the state but the scholarship rating as well will be improved.

Ten Students Stay at Y. M. C. A.
Ten students will spend Christmas at the Y. M. C. A. No entertainment has been planned by them until the first of the week, the secretary said, when they intend to have an informal party for all students remaining in town. Later there will be a dance with novelty features.

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Serum for 40,000 Hogs Made Last Year at Experiment Station

About three miles north of Columbia, along the side of the Wabash tracks, you may have seen a white group of frame buildings and wondered to whose farm they belonged. They are the buildings of the experiment station for the production of anti hog-cholera serum and are a part of the University.

As early as 1908, experiments were started here with this serum. In 1913, the state legislature made an appropriation of \$50,000 for the purchase of the land and buildings, and by the spring of 1915, the plant was completed.

On the farm is a barn, which will accommodate 1000 hogs, a serum laboratory building, a scalding house, a rendering plant, a virus laboratory and a water plant from a well 400 feet deep. There are ninety acres of land in the farm.

The main serum laboratory contains an office and seven operating rooms where serum is taken from the hog. The interior is painted in white enamel and is the cleanest and most sanitary place imaginable. The latest and most modern equipment is used and sterilizing apparatus is at hand on every side. The hogs from which the serum is drained are in the best of condition and from the most carefully selected stock. They

are fed the best of food and are thoroughly washed and cleaned. They are released after the draining and form the best pork obtainable for the table.

The farm was formed with the idea of furnishing all veterinarians and swine owners of the state with this anti-hog-cholera serum at near cost of production. There is at present no appropriation for the maintenance of the farm. It is self sustaining, the sale of the serum meeting the expenses.

During the past year about 1,000 hogs have been used for the production of serum. Over 1,500,000 cubic centimeters of the serum has been sent out over the state. This represents approximately enough serum to treat 40,000 hogs. It has been estimated that over 38,000 were saved, representing a value of over one-half a million dollars. Five men are employed at the farm under the direct supervision of the veterinary department of the university.

OUR APPRECIATION

Standing at the threshold of the new year we recall the many courtesies extended us by our customers, and we pause in the midst of this festive season to express our appreciation and to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. The Wabash Market, Adv.

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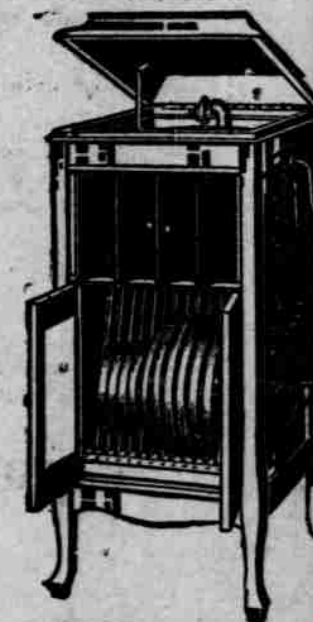
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After the holidays you will no doubt find many clothing firms throughout the country in sensational 'ads' announcing sales and cut prices from one-third to one-half off.

Our patrons are well aware that these cut prices can not be legitimate—unless these firms have their goods marked at 'Aeroplane prices' and have not readjusted them to present market conditions.

Of course you do not expect to see an ad of this kind from the Old Reliable Barth Store, which has served you for more than half of a century, but you have every right to expect from this store the best values now and at all times at the lowest possible prices.

We are following the markets and re-adjusting prices in all lines to meet these conditions.

We want to warn our friends and patrons against such misleading methods which is the custom these days of so many clothing merchants who in order to give substantial discounts are forced to place fictitious prices on their merchandise.

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